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Fair tonight and Sunday; not so cold tonight, and warmer Sunday; moderate variable winds.
Sun rises 7:12, sets 4:19.
Moon sets 2:46 a. m.
High tide 8:15 a. m., 9 p. m.

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GERMAN'S BATTLE FLEET OFF FOR ENGLAND

MERCURY GOES
BELOW THE ZERO
MARK IN BOSTON

Hourly Temperatures in Boston.

Midnight	4 above
1 o'clock	5 above
2 o'clock	6 above
3 o'clock	7 above
4 o'clock	8 above
5 o'clock	9 above
6 o'clock	10 above
7 o'clock	11 above
8 o'clock	12 above
9 o'clock	13 above
10 o'clock	14 above
11 o'clock	15 above
12 o'clock	16 above
1 o'clock	17 above

Clear down in the toe of Diana Boston's Christmas stocking there was concealed a Yule-tide gift in the shape of a snapping cold wave, placed there by Jack Frost. As this was clear at the tip of the stocking it was not discovered until midnight, when the temperature began to drop until it was two degrees below zero at 5 a. m. today. This was a forty-two-year record, the coldest December 26 in Boston since the good old days of 1872. From 7 o'clock onward the cold wave yielded very gradually to the sun's efforts to warm things.

But other places beside Boston were cold, even colder. Where the wind had a chance to sweep across open spaces and drive the cold in the mercury's retreat became a rout. At Marlboro' car barn, for instance, the 7 o'clock reading was 10 degrees below zero, likewise Worcester. Colder still was the zipping air around the Kelley Park electric power station at Manchester, N. H. This place reported 17 degrees below zero. The Weather Man says the cold wave's story will soon be told. The local forecast for today was: "Fair tonight and Sunday. Not so cold tonight, and warmer Sunday. Moderate, variable winds."

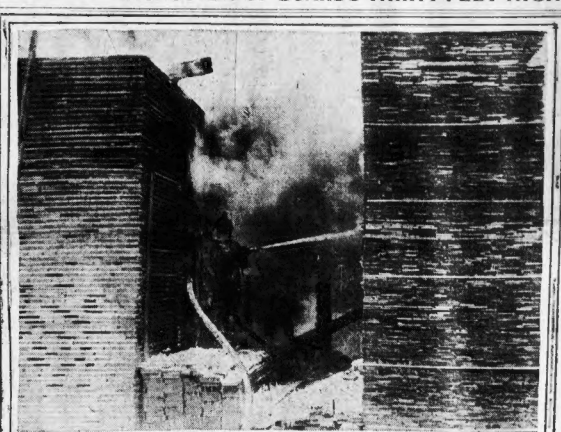
An official report of temperature of 25 below zero was sent down from Rockville, Ontario. At Pittsfield, N. Y., the mercury fell to 32. At the Mt. Mansfield observatory in Hamilton the thermometer read 22 below.

Boston suburban readings at breakfast time ranged from one to five degrees below zero, according to the exposure.

Dispatches from New York said that Manhattan was shivering in the coldest weather so far this year, but below 17 a. m. A biting northwest wind, traveling forty-five miles an hour, drove the cold in. The municipal and mission lodging houses were jammed.

One death and one serious case of frost bite are reported in New England.

FIGHTING FLAMES IN CHELSEA LUMBER YARD AMONG PILES OF BOARDS THIRTY FEET HIGH



LOWEST NEW ENGLAND TEMPERATURES

Some "low spots" in the day's cold wave were:	
Melrose	3 below
Marlboro'	10 below
Worcester	10 below
Manchester, N. H.	17 below
Pittsfield, N. Y.	32 below
North Cambridge	4 below
Harvard Square	5 below
Neponset	5 below
Matapan Square	4 below
Winthrop Highlands	2 below
Esplanade	1 below
Sumerville	0 below
Malden	2 below
Waltham	4 below
Rockland	8 below
Station 3, Cambridge	5 below
Attleboro'	4 below
Newton	4 below
Pittsfield, N. H.	32 below
Salem	5 below
Hamilton	12 below
Club	22 below
Worcester	10 below
Pembroke	10 below
Wendham	10 below

Ozonarianism Comes Hard at 10 Below

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Ozonarianism they call the latest food fad, following which the faithful eat out of doors. The originators, Miss Jeanette Michelson and Miss Florence Popp, were interviewed this morning, dining in their back yard with the thermometer ten below zero. The girls were bundled in furs and warned their hands over the alcohol flames of a chafin dish between them. "Yes, it's cold," shivered Miss Michelson, "but the fresh air kills the germs."

Half-Pay for Prince Louis Is Attached

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Critics who forced the retirement of Prince Louis of Battenberg as first sea lord of the British navy because of his German blood are protesting against the action of King George in granting the prince half pay of \$10,000 annually during the war.

CARRANZA, ARMY
BEATEN BY VILLA,
FLEES VERA CRUZ

MEXICO, Dec. 24.—Dispatches received here from two independent sources in Mexico City carry reports that General Carranza has fled from Vera Cruz and that negotiations are being conducted for the surrender of that port to the forces of General Villa.

They state that in a battle fought Friday morning, just west of Vera Cruz, the Carranza troops were forced to fall back and that large numbers of them surrendered to the Villistas under the pledge that their lives would be spared.

The two dispatches differ only as to the number of General Carranza's flight.

One says he fled south from Vera Cruz, apparently with the intention of going to Puerto Mexico, the other declares he went aboard a vessel that had been kept in the harbor of Vera Cruz as his refuge.

Mme. Poincare Gives to 'New Children'

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Thanks to the gracious thought of Madame Poincare, the children of that portion of Alsace-Lorraine which has become "French again and forever," received gifts from their mother country.

More than 3,000 Christmas boxes containing toys and sweetmeats were dispatched from Paris for distribution in the homes of Alsace-Lorraine occupied by French troops.

Stabbing of Doctor Springfield Mystery

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 25.—The police are seeking the assailant of Dr. P. C. Brigham, who was fatally stabbed in the abdomen at Ashmun and Central streets, Dr. Brigham was called by telephone by someone who told him they would meet him there. The stranger merely said, "Hello, Doc," and stabbed him.

U. S. Warship Threat to Bombard Tripoli

ATHENS, Dec. 24.—An American warship has arrived at Tripoli and asked the authorities to permit the departure of vessels and subjects for England. The authorities refused.

Ford Gives Edison's Son Auto for Xmas

WEST GRANITE, N. J., Dec. 25.—Theodore, the thirteen-year-old son of Thomas A. Edison, wrote Christmas and New Year's cards to his friends, and a new nickel-plated rug, a new coat, and a new hat, and a gift to him from Henry Ford, the automobile manufacturer of Detroit, whose home the Edisons visited last

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 26.—A German squadron of considerable size is reported to have sailed out into the North Sea today, proceeding toward the coast of England to give battle to the British fleet.

LATEST WAR BULLETINS

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The German aviator who tried to attack the British naval base at Sheerness yesterday is believed to have perished. The lighthouse keeper at Kentish Knock, in the North Sea, northeast of the mouth of the Thames River, reported today that he had seen an aeroplane fall into the water about a mile from his post yesterday afternoon.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The Italian press states, according to advices to the Matin, that a French submarine belonging to the fleet of Vice Admiral Lapeyriere has been sunk while attempting to torpedo Austrian battleships in the Austrian Naval base of Pola, in the Adriatic.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 26.—The German cruiser Hertha and a German mine layer have been sunk in the Baltic Sea, according to information received by the Russian Admiralty. Admiralty officials believe the Hertha was sunk while it was trying to protect the mine layer in its operations along the Russian coast, being overtaken by a fast Russian cruiser. The Hertha was of 5,500 tons and had a complement of 473 men.

ROME, Dec. 26.—An Austrian battleship struck a mine in the Adriatic Sea and was badly damaged, according to a dispatch received here today. The ship has been towed to port and placed in dry dock for repairs.

SCHOONER DRIVEN ASHORE IN GALE

WOODS HOLE, Dec. 24.—An unknown schooner went ashore today on Half Moon shoal, midway between here and Nantucket, according to a wireless received here. The schooner's name has not been ascertained.

General Kelly-Kenny Dead

LONDON, Dec. 25.—General Sir Thomas Kelly-Kenny, who took a prominent part in the Boer war, died at home today. He was seventy-four years old.

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RUSSIANS IN POLAND CLAIM NEW VICTORY

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The day after Christmas finds the war prosecuted with great violence both east and west, with intimations of important happenings on the west.

From Petrograd comes the report that the Russians have dealt the Germans in Poland a smashing blow, driving them back six miles from Hlava, on the Rowka River, to the town of Jezow.

From Vienna is the official announcement that the Russians, heavily reinforced, are attacking the Austrians along the entire front in Galicia, with the Austrians successfully resisting.

Copenhagen cables that a German squadron of considerable size has sailed into the North Sea toward the coast of England, presumably to give battle to the British fleet.

Petrograd hears that the German cruiser Hertha and a mine layer have been sunk by Russian warships in the Baltic.

Paris reports great activity by the allies at both ends of the 300-mile western battle line, with unofficial news that French guns are bombarding Metz, the great German stronghold of Lorraine.

VICTORY FOR RUSSIANS.

The Petrograd dispatch describing the Russian victory in Poland says that for five days the Germans had been in possession of Rawa, part of which stands on the highest point of a range of hills between the Pilica and Bzura rivers.

A sanguinary battle took place on these heights, but after a conflict of three hours the Germans were driven down the western slopes. The Russians took 2,300 prisoners and three guns, it is stated.

According to the Petrograd Army Messenger this victory at Rawa, while not overwhelming, opens a way to making a breach in the German line to lessen the pressure that the Kaiser's troops are maintaining against the Russians on both the Bzura and Pilica.

"The Russian positions on the Bzura are now secure," says the Messenger. "The Rawa heights are of great importance and dominate the situation between the Pilica and Bzura. It is fortunate that they were taken at this time, as the Germans are bringing up heavy reinforcements."

"Germany is apparently drawing upon her last resources to concentrate 1,000,000 men on our western front. Among prisoners passing

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PANORAMIC VIEW OF BIG CHELSEA FIRE SHOWING FIREMEN FIGHTING FLAMES AMONG LUMBER PILES



through Warsaw were noted many professional men. Scores were spectators, showing that most who had been rejected early in the war had later been sent to the front.

BOMBARDING METZ.

Severe fighting is in progress at two points today in France. Along the Moselle River the French troops are trying to reach Metz and cut the German lines of communication leading into northern France.

South of Arras the Germans are attempting a similar drive toward Amiens, from which radiate several railway lines upon which the French, Belgian and British troops in Flanders and the extreme northern part of France depend for their supplies, except such as come from England through Dunkirk, Calais and Havre.

News that the Germans are striving to reach Amiens explains the continued fighting about Albert, where the conflict rages from house to house, and the capture of a single trench or a gain of a few yards is considered enough to chronicle in the official reports.

Conflicting reports reach here as to the situation along the Moselle. It is stated unofficially that the French have made such great progress that they have been able to bring their heavy artillery to bear upon Metz, and are shelling the outer forts of the German stronghold.

GERMANS HALTED. It is known that the French troops have made important gains in the forest of Lepretre, but the official statements have not yet shown how these gains were won. The effort to gain the Norrey Ridge, from which their long range guns could reach the Metz forts.

A brief lull in the fighting in Flanders is due to the fact that the allies have reached the barriers that halted the Germans when they tried to break their way through to Dunkirk before the main English forces had reached the

front. This is the inundation along the Yser Canal. Ice has formed in the flooded regions, but this is not yet thick enough to bear the weight of men and artillery.

Reprise of German counter attacks by the allies is the chief feature emphasized in the official statement issued at Paris this afternoon. It indicates that the Germans, replying to the offensive taken by the French, British and Belgians, have themselves in turn made attacks almost along the entire front.

Anticipating that the allies will be able to force the Dardanelles and attack Constantinople, the Turks have transported heavy guns from Adrianople to San Stefano and Kadikoi, according to advices from Athens. From these two points the Turks will make their final fight against attempts to enter the Golden Horn.

It was announced at Petrograd today that the Turks had attempted to advance in the Donatki district, but had been repulsed by the Russians.

AIR BATTLE NEAR LONDON.

Thousands of people witnessed a thrilling battle in the air yesterday between two British aeroplanes and a German Taube off South End. During the battle the aircraft were a mile above the earth, flying at seventy miles an hour. The War Office issued the following description of the affair last evening:

"A hostile aeroplane was sighted today at 12:55. It was flying very high from east to west over Sheerness. British air craft went in pursuit and engaged the enemy, who, after being hit three or four times, was driven off seaward."

The German aviator is believed to have perished, an aeroplane having fallen into the sea about a mile off shore.

ITALY MAY ENTER WAR.

Italian marines have taken possession of the city of Avlona, on the Adriatic coast of Albania, as a result of an insurrection of Moslems, instigated, it is said, by Austria, against Essad Pasha. The step is looked upon as likely to hurry Italy into war with Austria.

Rome dispatch says:

"The people of Italy are eager for war and are hereby anxious to fight against Austria. So far the determination of Premier Salandra and a very capable Ministry has swayed the people to an understanding of the necessity for non-intervention at the present time. But Italy is a powder magazine, which may be exploded any day by a chance spark. It is not at all unlikely that the occupation of Avlona may be the spark."

ARMIES ENJOY ONE HOUR'S ARMISTICE CHRISTMAS DAY

PARIS, Dec. 26.—For one hour on Christmas day the warriors of the nations locked in deadly conflict in western Europe ceased to fight. During that brief interval the clash of arms and the boom of artillery was halted.

The armistice was officially decreed. It was as if a mighty mind that chose of the greatest stroke on earth had decreed a return of peace, even for so brief a period.

After the short truce had ended, however, the mightiest combat in the history of the world was resumed. Frenchmen, Britons, Belgians and Germans all alike put away the visions of home that the day had called forth and took up again the task at hand, the slaughtering of their fellow men.

ITALIAN SAILORS OCCUPY AVLONA

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Italy's participation in the war is looked for as a result of the landing of Italian sailors at Avlona to protect the lives of European and peaceful inhabitants following the outbreak of widespread revolution in Albania.

Turkey, it is believed, cannot look upon the incident without taking action, and the cumulative effect of this and recent causes of diplomatic exchanges, notably the attack by the Turks on the Italian consulate at Trieste, where the British consul was forcibly removed and made captive for a few days, may seriously strain relations between the two countries.

Albania's revolution is directed against Essad Pasha, established by the Ottoman government in the new state as ruler when Turkey cut her relations with the German ally.

Massacres were reported at Essad Pasha's palace in Tirana has been pillaged and burned.

Italian warships have again landed sailors at Avlona in an effort to afford protection to the foreigners. This is the second appearance of the Italian sailors in Albania in a brief period since the European war began.

The first order of the Italian fleet, under the command of Prince William of Wind, was to occupy the Albanian coast by a European agreement.

Saw Crackoe Blown Up in the Good Hope

CARDEIFF, Wales, Dec. 26.—The story of Rear Admiral Crackoe's heroism in the sea battle on November 1, off Chile, is told in a letter received here from an eye witness who writes:

"I never want to see another sight as the sinking of the poor old ship. This ship was hit on the line on fire and then blew up with 500 men aboard. Every body believed that Admiral Crackoe, after seeing it was a hopeless case, had ordered the ship to be blown up, but the attempt was unsuccessful."

"They had the advantage of us in every way, because they carried us with an inferior force, and as the ship was being blown up they had a strong advantage in light."

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Austrians Torpedo

3 French Warships

VIENNA, Dec. 26.—An official statement says: "The French submarine Curie was fired upon and sunk by the Austrian coast batteries. The submarine was unable to deliver an attack; the crew was imprisoned."

"The Austrian submarine No. 12 on December 21 attacked a French fleet composed of six ships in the Gulf of Oran, Algeria. The submarine twice successfully torpedoed hostilities of the Curie type, but the result is unknown."

Help Called from Charlestown and Everett to Fight Blaze in Lumber Yard—Frozen Hydrants Hamper Work.

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Flames were being fought stubbornly in a string of lumber piles stacked up in a long row not over thirty feet from the burning building.

THOUGHT IT CONQUERED.

It was thought the flames had the fire under control. Streams of water were being played for protection on the end of the Atwood & McManus Box Company's big factory, not over fifty feet away from one end of the Pope & Cottle building.

The fire was discovered by William Foran, the lumber yard watchman. Foran, with his wife and two children, lived in a three-room apartment in the second story of the long office building. They were driven out half-dressed at 6:30—when the temperature was two degrees below zero—by smoke. Foran sent in an alarm, then led his suffering family from the office building.

Later when the north wall of the office building fell the Foran family were seen in the view, showing the help of the other families. The fire was given through the walls of the abandoned room, which fell in. The view of the room, through the wall opening, was unlike the picture of shell-damaged buildings in Belgium.

FIREMAN BADLY HURT.

The northwest wind swept flames over the railroad tracks, but a junkyard offered little satisfaction for the traveling flames and sparks.

The roof and sides of the burning building were shrouded with asbestos, but that didn't seem to impede the flames.

Thomas White of Engine 3 was hit severely in the stomach by a falling piece of timber and was picked up unconscious. He was sent to the Frost Hospital. Charles, another fireman, was reported to have received a heavy injury to the leg, but not enough to put him out of the ranks.

Trains of the Portland division of the Boston & Maine. They were being sent around by the Saugus branch.

Power and electric light wires on the lumber premises were cut and the city streets were cut or brought down.

The Pope & Cottle's yard fire alarm box, located on a telephone pole near a storage building, kept ringing for hours, but no one was there. Finally something happened to the circuit and the ringing stopped.

Czar Gives Sakhalin to Japan for Guns

BERLIN, Dec. 26.—A Press Bureau announcement says:

"Copenhagen reports that Russia has agreed to cede Sakhalin Island to Japan in exchange for heavy guns."

Sakhalin was officially Russian until September, 1905, when, by the Treaty of Portsmouth, the southern half was ceded to Japan.

The island, which is 27,000 square miles. It extends northward from the coast of the Siberian coast, for about 600 miles.

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RESCUES A LAME CHILD FROM FIRE

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A thrilling rescue of his lame daughter, Alice, was made today by James Clement when fire started in the attic of No. 19 Evelyn street, Mattapan.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Payne had just time enough to carry their three children, Ruth, Madeline and Joseph, a baby, into the street. The building was a two and one-half story wooden structure and the flames were about 1500. The house was owned by George Dugan. When the firemen arrived the thermometer stood four degrees below zero and they had a hard time in subduing the flames. The roof was destroyed and the lower floors damaged.

Close Jap Diet for Killing Army Bill

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TOKIO, Dec. 25.—Owing to the rejection of the measure for an increase in the army, the Emperor has dissolved the Imperial Diet, thus upholding the program of the ministry for military development. The army measure was rejected by a majority of sixty-five, but the House approved the naval increase by a majority of seven.

A receipt suspends the House of Peers pending the election, which probably will be held in March.

Rockefellers Give

Away Gold Pieces

Continued from First Page.

TARRYTOWN, N. J., Dec. 26.—Employees at the railway station, where all telegraph and telephone operators in Tarrytown received \$10 each in gold pieces from John D. Rockefeller. William Rockefeller, Christmas gifts of gold to his employees. It had been his custom, Rockwood Hall.

ANNUAL

CLEARANCE SALE

Continued from First Page.

Begins Monday, Dec. 28, At 8:30 A. M.

1st. This Sale will consist of every odd lot and broken assortment (in no sense odd or undesirable). We do not propose to change this custom, which has been in existence for many years, of closing out these lots without regard to color, although we do not know where some of them can be replaced.

2d. Many importers and American makers, realizing how important it is that this Annual Sale should be the event of the season with our customers, have prepared for us lots of goods at great reductions in prices. Every lot in this Sale is in grade and style just such as we would buy for our regular trade and is guaranteed by us just the same as if you paid full prices.

The Sale, besides many other

things, includes Women's Suits,

Coats, Gowns, Dresses, Waists,

Misses' Suits, Coats, Dresses, In-

fant's Wear, Corsets, Domestic

Underwear, French Underwear,

Table Linens, Towels, Sheets,

Pillow Cases, Blankets, Com-

fortables, Decorative Linens,

Silks, Dress Goods, Hamburgs,

Wash Dress Goods, Furs, Hos-

iery, Gloves, Handkerchiefs,

Neckwear, Trunks, Etc.

Details of Sale are given in the Catalogue, which has been widely mailed, but although there has been a very extraordinary call for it this year if you have not already received one, you will probably be able to get one when you come into the store Monday morning.

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that which should be kept secret. He gives scandal certainly instead of speculation to work upon. He presses down the crown of shame upon a head so that it can never rise again that, but for him, might be lifted once more.

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50 AND 52 SUMNER ST., BOSTON, DEC. 26, 1914.

The Scandal of the Pursuit of
Thaw and Its Motive

The decision of the United States Supreme Court delivering Thaw once more to the State of New York is unfortunate. Doubtless it is the law, but none the less New Yorkers, weary of the expense and scandal attendant upon the Thaw case, will wish that the Supreme Court had found a way to end it, instead of ordering its continuance.

Only two influences in New York are eager for Thaw's return. One, former District Attorney Jerome, to whom Thaw has been for these many years a sort of precious meal ticket. The other, a group of rich and dissolute men about town, former intimates of Stanford White, who, dreading Thaw's knowledge of the character of their pleasures, would pursue them with more complete peace of mind were he safely put away and labelled insane, so that none would believe any revelations he might make.

The part played by Jerome in the Thaw case has been discreditable to him, and its prolongation of late years has been even more discreditable to the State. His attitude from the outset has been that of the persecutor, rather than the calm, dispassionate but determined officer of the law.

The spectacular features of the case have appealed strongly to Jerome's weakest side—his love of notoriety and eagerness for the spotlight—and he has lost no opportunity to pose as the Avenging Angel. Thus he has pursued this poor hunted animal from refuge to refuge, never neglecting the while to wind his hunter's horn merrily that all the world might know how mighty a huntsman is he.

Jerome's continuance in this case after the expiration of his term as District Attorney has been a scandal on the administrations of two Governors, and one which we hope and believe the Governor-elect will promptly terminate on his accession to office. Jerome's association with the men who think it to their interest to have Thaw kept out of the way is notorious. That they have supplemented the sums paid by the State to the former District Attorney is at least a matter of the gravest suspicion. At any rate, the association has been so close that in continuing to employ Jerome the State has been put in the position of taking part in a private vendetta. No one familiar with the course of murder cases in New York in the past will for a moment question that only the persistent pressure of some powerful private interest upon State authorities can explain the pertinacity of the prosecution of Thaw.

Some newspapers work themselves into a fury and seek to fan the embers of wrath among their readers by describing this as a struggle between even-handed justice and "the Thaw millions." Money has indeed played a powerful and a malign part in this drama. The possession of it in unlimited sums at an age when discretion or even complete sanity was not his brought Harry Thaw into his trouble. The money of other men, worse in all respects save that of blood-guilt than he, has been spent lavishly to prevent his getting out of his unhappy state. Meanwhile it has made it hard for those who sincerely sympathize with him to aid him in any way. "The scandal of Thaw's money" has been so persistently exploited that anyone who seeks to do him service is instantly accused of mercenary motives.

Never were the malign possibilities of money ill used made more glaring than in the case of Thaw.

Under the decision of the Supreme Court, the lawyers are again preparing to battle for possession of the body of this man. There will be much talk of the dignity of New York State and of the solemn obligation imposed upon officials to keep Thaw incarcerated until death delivers him.

But one-tenth of the energy shown in the pursuit of Thaw would have accomplished great public benefits if employed in other directions. Jerome's office showed no conspicuous zeal in the prosecution of such millionaire offenders as the New York Central, which maimed and slaughtered New Yorkers in the tunnel disaster without any responsible official paying the penalty.

Because of the advertising and notoriety attached to his case and because of the lavish expenditures of a group of rakes who fear to be exposed, Thaw has engaged the active attention of State officials who might have been better employed on other public work. Jerome is the most conspicuous figure thus involved, and it should be the first act of the Whitman administration to sever him from this profitable employment to which he has clung like a leech.

NEUTRAL

By ELLA WHEELER WILCOX

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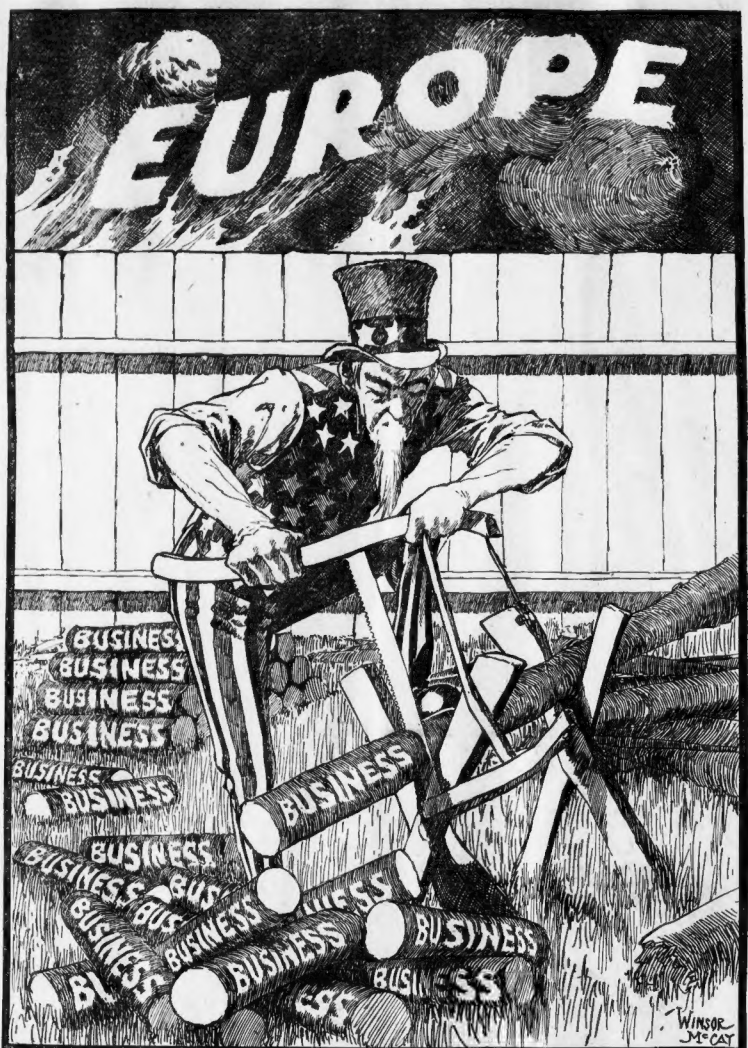
THAT pale word, "Neutral," sits becomingly On lips of weaklings. But the men whose brains

Find fuel in their blood, the men whose minds Hold sympathetic converse with their hearts, Such men are never neutral. That word stands Unsexed and impotent in Realms of Speech. When mighty problems face a startled world No virile man is neutral. Right or wrong His thoughts go forth, assertive, unafraid To stand by his convictions, and to do Their part in shaping issues to an end. Silence may guard the door of useless words, At dictate of Discretion; but to stand Without opinions in a world which needs Constructive thinking, is a coward's part.

Plenty of Work in Sight!

The War in Europe Makes It All the More Necessary for Uncle Sam to Attend to His Own Woodpile, Which Is Big Enough to Keep Him Occupied and Prosperous.

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The Personality of Children

By MRS. FRANK LEARNED

THEORIES in the training of children will fall unless the individuality and personality of each child is recognized. What may be the best guidance for one may not be best for another. Temperaments, tastes, abilities, faults or peculiarities are inherited, not only from parents but from long lines of ancestors in two families.

The quick-tempered child, the selfish or greedy one who dislikes to share playthings or sweets, the inconsiderate child who is destructive of the toys at others—these need careful watching and must be encouraged to be self-controlled, generous and considerate.

While it is of the first importance not to search for faults, but to try to find the good qualities which are hidden and may be developed, it is necessary to be on the alert for tendencies which show weaknesses to be overcome, otherwise these may remain in fixed habits impossible to eradicate.

Little difficulty is found in guid-

ing the child who is impulsive, affectionate, full of imagination and enthusiasm. The dull, phlegmatic child needs suggestion; the obstinate, sulky-tempered one needs sympathy and gentle guidance.

Children are often very anxious to do what is right if they can only find the way. Their wills may be influenced by wise and constant guidance, but never by a few casual efforts now and then. The loving, patient, painstaking efforts of parents can help children in their own strivings for the development of self-control in its many-sided senses.

At first, he may do right to please others, or for some personal advantage, but, if carefully trained, there will be developed gradually a feeling of obligation and responsibility toward right-doing and he will be happy in it, and with every effort to understand what is right and to do it the moral instinct is strengthened.

A child who is weak in will, timid or vacillating must be taught to make decisions and to abide by them.

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Secretary Garrison wants the army recruited to its full strength. Isn't he risking his boss' displeasure?

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The man who reeled the boat last Summer is now jumping on his toes to frighten the girls who are skating on it.

They Didn't Want to Start Anything

The Germans used splendid strategy in attacking the English and not the Irish coast.

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Doubtless, as the British war office says, a German raid on the English coast is of no military significance, but there is an old saying that you might as well kill a man as scare him to death.

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"Children Play With Dynamite."—Headline. Something very like this caused the European war.

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